

1 AN ACT relating to occupational licensure for military service members and
2 veterans.

3 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

4 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 12 IS CREATED TO
5 READ AS FOLLOWS:

6 *(1) As used in this section, "administrative body" has the same meaning as in KRS*
7 *12.010.*

8 *(2) Each administrative body that issues a license, permit, certificate, or other*
9 *document that is required to operate within any business, profession, or*
10 *occupation in the Commonwealth may issue a license, permit, certificate, or other*
11 *document, or a temporary license, permit, certificate, or other document to a*
12 *United States military service member or veteran who is seeking a license, permit,*
13 *certificate, or other document under this section and has:*

14 *(a) Separated from the military with an honorable discharge, discharge under*
15 *honorable conditions, or a general discharge under honorable conditions*
16 *within two (2) years preceding the date of applying for the license, permit,*
17 *certificate, or other document;*

18 *(b) Received training, education, or experience during active, National Guard,*
19 *or federal reserve military service to the extent that such training,*
20 *education, or experience satisfies the requirements established by law and*
21 *administrative regulations of the respective board for the issuance of any*
22 *license, permit, certificate, or other document, however styled or*
23 *denominated, required for the practice of any business, profession, or*
24 *occupation in the Commonwealth; and*

25 *(c) Submitted his or her DD214 form or other proof of satisfactory completion*
26 *of military training to the administrative body as part of the license or*
27 *certificate application.*

1 (3) Nothing in subsection (2) of this section shall require an administrative body to
2 issue a license, permit, certificate, or other document if the administrative body
3 determines that the military training or experience does not meet the
4 requirements established by the administrative body for the issuance of a license,
5 permit, certificate, or other document to operate within a business, profession, or
6 occupation in the Commonwealth.

7 (4) Administrative bodies that receive multiple requests under this section are
8 directed to publish clear guidelines to clarify requirements. These guidelines may
9 be published electronically, in print, or by the promulgation of administrative
10 regulations.

11 (5) Military training and experience submitted under subsection (2) of this section
12 shall not be used as a substitute or in lieu of:

13 (a) A postsecondary school degree when a degree is a prerequisite for a license,
14 permit, certificate, or other document; or

15 (b) A specified examination when passage of an examination is a prerequisite
16 for a license, permit, certificate, or other document.